

X-Ray Data Booklet Table 5-1. Physical constants.

Quantity	Symbol, equation	Value	Uncert. (ppb)
speed of light	c (see note *)	$2.997\ 924\ 58 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ ($10^{10} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$)	exact
Planck constant	h	$6.626\ 068\ 76(52) \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$ (10^{-27} erg s)	78
Planck constant, reduced	$\hbar = h/2p$	$1.054\ 571\ 596(82) \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s} = 6.582\ 118\ 89(26) \times 10^{-22} \text{ MeV s}$	78, 39
electron charge magnitude	e	$4.803\ 204\ 20(19) \times 10^{-10} \text{ esu} = 1.602\ 176\ 462(63) \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$	39, 59
conversion constant	$\hbar c$	$197.326\ 960\ 1(78) \text{ MeV fm} (= \text{eV nm})$	39
electron mass	m_e	$0.510\ 998\ 902(21) \text{ MeV}/c^2 = 9.109\ 381\ 88(72) \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$	40, 79
proton mass	m_p	$938.271\ 998(38) \text{ MeV}/c^2 = 1.672\ 621\ 58(13) \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ $= 1.007\ 276\ 466\ 88(13) \text{ u} = 1836.152\ 667\ 5(39) m_e$	40, 79 0.13, 2.1
deuteron mass	m_d	$1875.612\ 762(75) \text{ MeV}/c^2$	40
unified atomic mass unit (u)	(mass ^{12}C atom)/12 = (1 g)/(N_A mol)	$931.494\ 013(37) \text{ MeV}/c^2 = 1.660\ 538\ 73(13) \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$	40, 79
permittivity of free space	$\epsilon_0 = 1/(m_0 c^2)$	$8.854\ 187\ 817\dots \times 10^{-12} \text{ F m}^{-1}$	exact
permeability of free space	μ_0	$4p \times 10^{-7} \text{ N A}^{-2} = 12.566\ 370\ 614\dots \times 10^{-7} \text{ N A}^{-2}$	exact
fine-structure constant	$\alpha = e^2/4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c$	$1/137.035\ 999\ 76(50)$	3.7
classical electron radius	$r_e = e^2/4\pi\epsilon_0 m_e c^2$	$2.817\ 940\ 285(31) \times 10^{-15} \text{ m}$	11
Bohr radius ($m_{\text{nucleus}} = \infty$)	$a_0 = 4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2/m_e e^2 = r_e \alpha^{-2}$	$0.529\ 177\ 208\ 3(19) \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ (10^{-8} cm)	3.7
Rydberg energy	$hcR_Y = m_e e^4/2(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2\hbar^2$ $= m_e c^2 \alpha^2/2$	$13.605\ 691\ 72(53) \text{ eV}$	39
Thomson cross section	$s_T = 8\pi r_e^2/3$	$0.665\ 245\ 854(15) \text{ barn}$ (10^{-28} m^2)	22
Bohr magneton	$\mu_B = e\hbar/2m_e$	$5.788\ 381\ 749(43) \times 10^{-11} \text{ MeV T}^{-1}$	7.3
nuclear magneton	$\mu_N = e\hbar/2m_p$	$3.152\ 451\ 238(24) \times 10^{-14} \text{ MeV T}^{-1}$	7.6
electron cyclotron freq./field	$\omega_{\text{cycl}}^e/B = e/m_e$	$1.758\ 820\ 174(71) \times 10^{11} \text{ rad s}^{-1} \text{ T}^{-1}$	40
proton cyclotron freq./field	$\omega_{\text{cycl}}^p/B = e/m_p$	$9.578\ 834\ 08(38) \times 10^7 \text{ rad s}^{-1} \text{ T}^{-1}$	40

Table 5-1. Physical constants(continued).

Quantity	Symbol, equation	Value	Uncert. (ppb)
Avogadro constant	N_A	$6.022\ 141\ 99(47)\times 10^{23}\ \text{mol}^{-1}$	79
Boltzman constant	k	$1.380\ 650\ 3(24)\times 10^{-23}\ \text{J K}^{-1} = 8.617\ 342(15)\times 10^{-5}\ \text{eV K}^{-1}$	1700
molar volume, ideal gas at STP	$N_A k (273.15\ \text{K})/(101\ 325\ \text{Pa})$	$22.413\ 996(39)\times 10^{-3}\ \text{m}^3\ \text{mol}^{-1}$	1700
$p = 3.141\ 592\ 653\ 589\ 793\ 238$		$e = 2.718\ 281\ 828\ 459\ 045\ 235$	$g = 0.577\ 215\ 664\ 901\ 532\ 861$
The meter is the length of the path traveled by light in vacuum during a time interval of $1/299\ 792\ 458$ of a second.			
1 in. = 2.54 cm	1 newton = 10^5 dyne	$1\ \text{eV}/c^2 = 1.782\ 662\times 10^{-33}\ \text{g}$	$1\ \text{coulomb} = 2.997\ 924\ 58\times 10^9\ \text{esu}$
1 Å = 10^{-8} cm	1 joule = 10^7 erg	$hc/(1\ \text{eV}) = 1.239\ 842\ \mu\text{m}$	$1\ \text{tesla} = 10^4\ \text{gauss}$
1 fm = 10^{-13} cm	1 cal = 4.184 joule	$1\ \text{eV}/h = 2.417\ 989\times 10^{14}\ \text{Hz}$	$1\ \text{atm} = 1.013\ 25\times 10^6\ \text{dyne/cm}^2$
1 barn = $10^{-24}\ \text{cm}^2$	1 eV = $1.602\ 176\ 5\times 10^{-12}$ erg	$1\ \text{eV}/k = 11\ 604.5\ \text{K}$	$0^\circ\text{C} = 273.15\ \text{K}$